



# Director opens up on **BRIHONNOLA** dispute

Winner of the 2014 National Award for Best Film, Murad Parvez's "Brihonnola" has become subject to controversy yet again. After being awarded at the Jaipur Film Festival last year, accusations came up against the director for plagiarizing Syed Mustafa Siraj's short novel, "Gaachti Bolechilo."

The writer's son, Amitabh Siraj, claimed in a Times of India article last September that the script for "Brihonnola" was taken from his father's book. However, Murad said, "I like to keep things to myself and work in my own comfort zone, and it makes me uncomfortable to speak on this topic. Despite that, I have to say that stories can have characteristic similarities, but the basic storyline of the script has no similarity whatsoever with that of the book. The philosophy, concept, are all different. My take on this is that a certain group is attempting to tarnish my image and credibility. I don't really have anything more to say."

His first film "Chondrogrohon" was based on a story by Syed Mustafa Siraj and made with his per-



mission. Murad says the accusations are complete lies and he always had a good relationship with Mustafa Siraj. He added that he has all the papers to prove that his is an original story, but prefers to mitigate the situation without further complications.

# ELUVEITIE coming to Bangladesh!

Fans of metal have amazing news as popular folk-metal band Eluveitie is coming to Bangladesh for the first time. Their official page in Facebook and the tour schedule on their website has confirmed this news. A post on their official page read, "We know you have been waiting a long time for this one, and trust us: so have we! We are beyond excited to announce our very first show in your wonderful country: 26th May, 2016: Eluveitie in Dhaka, Bangladesh."

Founded in 2002 by Chrigel Glanzmann in Winterthur, Zurich,

they are known for their infusion of traditional Celtic folk melodies to Gothenburg-styled melodic death metal. Eluveitie uses traditional folk instruments in their music, such as fiddles, tin whistles and flutes, bagpipes and hurdy-gurdies. The traditional folk tunes in their songs have been drawn from various sources, including traditional Irish reels. While many of their lyrics are in English, some are in the ancient extinct Gaulish language. Organized by Green Event Management, the details about the tickets will be shared online soon.



# Momo to star in SHOPNOBARI

Although she had big roles in "Daruchini Dip" and "Prem Korbo Tomar Shathey", Momo's success on the big screens came through "Chuye Dile Mon." Afterwards, she restricted herself to TV mostly as she had not come across the right role yet.

However, her wait has come to an end as she has signed on for the movie "Shopnobari", to star opposite Anisur

Rahman Milon. The two have been seen together multiple times on TV, and in "Prem Korbo Tomar Shathey."

Director Tanim Rahman Angshu is excited for the project and says, "I think everyone will agree that both of them are talented performers." He also said that the story has multiple mysterious characters. Filming for the film is scheduled to begin later in August.